

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §31G-1-10

§31G-1-10. Pilot Project for cooperatives by political subdivisions.

(a) Notwithstanding any provision in the code to the contrary, the council may create guidelines and recommend to the Legislature a pilot project for no more than three municipalities or counties, either individually or in conjunction with one another, to establish non-profit cooperative associations to provide high-speed internet and broadband services.

(b) Nothing herein shall preclude or prohibit the establishment of a cooperative association by non-political subdivisions outside the purview or authority of the council. It is not a requirement that a cooperative association established under article two of this chapter seek approval or guidance from the council, and such cooperative associations established under article two of this chapter shall not be under the authority of, nor subject to, the council.